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PTE. H.J. BARSS LAYS DOWN LIFE IN FRANCE

Was a Popular and Active Church
and Lodge Member Before
Going Overseas.

Among the latest reported names of men who have given their lives in France is Pte. H. J. Barss of Irma. He was better known in these parts as Al Barss. Before the war began he occupied a very prominent place in this community's life and was actively interested in the societies and organizations that aim to maintain righteousness and brotherliness in our midst. He worked in the church and Sunday school and was secretary in the Odd Fellows Lodge at the time of his enlistment.

Harrington John Barss was born in Hazel Hill, Guysborough County, Nova Scotia, on February 19th, 1889. He came to Alberta 10 years ago and along with his father and two brothers homesteaded about 13 miles north of where Irma is now. Over 5 years ago he accepted a position in the livery barn, and a year later with the Irma Co-operative store and for two years gave very acceptable service here. The call for the war reached him and he enlisted with the 151st Overseas Battalion at Wainwright, on January 7th, 1916, and was later transferred to the 16 Canadian Scottish Battalion. We regret much the necessity for such life sacrifices but are proud of the men who out of love for world liberty and righteousness will suffer and die if need be. Our sympathies go out to the father and brother, the only surviving members of the family in this sore bereavement.

G.W.V.A. Gathering Names Of Enlisted Men

August 27th, 1917.

Dear Sir:

The Great War Veterans' Association, Wainwright District, are preparing an Honor Roll of all enlisted men in the C.E.F., and are asking the help of all the friends, and next-of-kin, of enlisted men, to forward the names, rank, regimental number, unit, and next-of-kin, to Secretary A. J. Logan, G.W.V.A., Wainwright.

I might add that our district is from Butte to Bruce, and the territory tributary at all towns between these two points.

Kindly favor us by a publication to this effect in your paper.

Trusting you will see fit to favor us, and thanking you, I am

Yours truly,

A. J. Logan, Sec-Treas.

Meatless Days.

According to the Dominion Official Gazette "Meatless Days" came into force Monday, August 20th. At present it applies only to hotels and restaurants. But all citizens are asked to observe the practice. To some it will be no hardship to do without meat two days a week, and to others it may represent a great sacrifice. It is well known that many housewives in Viking have already begun to observe the wishes of the government. Once the practice is established it should be an easy matter. In many homes, Friday has been a self-denial day, as far as meat was concerned and now no difficulty is experienced in remembering it. Just a matter of a few weeks habit and Tuesday and Friday will be meatless days.

Oil Versus Horses.

How the number of autos have increased in the last ten years is shown in these figures. In Alberta in 1906 there were 41 horses. In Alberta in 1917 there were 17,700.

NICE FIELDS AND FARMS IN IRMA DISTRICT

The Judge of Standing Fields Crop
Competition Says District is
Exceptionally Good.

Edmonton, August 23rd
Mr. F. W. Watkinson,
Sec. Agr. Society.

Dear Sir:

I am sending you the Score Cards and report forms of your Field Grain Competition for the wheat and oats, the garden, Score Cards and report form, I left with you. You will notice that the Competition in all the classes was very close, and where such is the case, it is difficult to arrive at an exact estimate. The quality of the grain in your district is certainly very creditable. The cleanliness and freedom from other varieties of grain indicates that your farmers are very careful in selecting seed, and this is a fine condition. All over the parts of the district that I traveled, I noticed many fine fields which were not entered for competition, and I was particularly well pleased with the many cases where the farmers are erecting nice buildings. I also noticed a number of fine herds of cattle. It would be a good thing if the farmers of your district would decide next year to hold a Good Farms Competition, as you have many places in the district that would make a very creditable showing in such a competition.

Wishing your Society every success, I am

Yours very truly,
J. M. Clark, Asst. Supt. Seed and Weed Bureau.

Irma Agricultural Society Standing Crops of Seed Grain and Garden Competition.

Judge, J. M. Clark, Edmonton.

Result	Wheat	Premium
1. N. Beattie	95 points	\$30.00
2. C. A. Anderson	94 points	20.00
3. E. V. Lindquist	93 1/2	12.00
4. H. W. Love	92 points	8.00
5. J. G. Elliott	89	5.00
Result	Oats	Premium
1. Carl Alpha	95 points	\$30.00
2. H. W. Love	94	20.00
3. A. McMillan	93	12.00
4. J. G. Elliott	92	8.00
5. J. G. Clark	90	5.00
Result	Gardens	Premium
1. J. H. Elliott	93 points	\$30.00
2. W. H. King	90	20.00
3. J. G. Clark	77	12.00
4. E. G. Williams	74	8.00
5. G. A. Simons	72	5.00

F. W. Watkinson, Sec-Treas.

Crop Outlook Better Than Ever

The incoming crop is the live question with everybody these days. Not only are the farmers interested in the crop but the business men are equally interested in the production of the land because business in this province depends largely on the success or failure of the season's crops.

Notwithstanding the dry spell in June and July the crops stood up well. This district is not in the hail belt and no hail in any part of the district is reported except in rare instances when a few hail stones fell but no damage done worthy of mention. With nice weather favoring during harvest, this district ought to make a splendid showing when the threshing machines begin to pour out the golden grain.

This district is one of the most substantial in the west in that it has a large grain-growing area, backed by a great dairying and mixed farming industry which thrives the year around. As a result before the Irma district is lost to last in any respect.

SOCIAL LEADER- SHIP CONFERENCE

Held at Edmonton Where Prominent
Speakers Discuss Problems
of Community Life.

The conference for Social Leadership which was held in Edmonton on Aug. 6th to 10th was very successful. The conference was under the direction of the Department of Extension and was held at the University of Alberta.

Everybody who attended this year was well pleased with everything which was undertaken. A larger attendance next year and every year is expected and the problems of the present day will be brought more clearly before the people.

The conference opened at 8.30 P.M. on Monday, Aug. 6th. Dean Howes was chairman and addresses were given by Mr. H. W. Wood on "The Organized Farmers and Politics" and Mr. H. C. Craig on "Production as it Affects the Development of Our Country."

The program for the whole week was of the very best and it showed the efforts that Dean Howes and Director A. E. Ottewill had put forth.

The address given by Mr. G. H. Cutler formerly of the University of Saskatchewan who now is with the University of Alberta gave some very instructive facts on farming.

Dr. Talbot talked on the subject of Diseases of Livestock. Under this subject it is hard to tell the different diseases without lots of study. Dr. Talbot selected for his subject some of the poisonous plants which we find in Alberta. One plant we find is the Water Hemlock which is found growing on farms throughout Alberta. The plant was shown so everybody could tell what it was. The leaves are poisonous, so are the roots. Sometimes if an animal drinks the water at the time the leaves are falling off, they will be found dead by the stream. Lookjaw is another poisonous plant of which animals get tastes at times, especially in the spring of the year when no other grass is growing, the animals will see this bit of green stuff and immediately after eating will die. The disease of Blackleg there is no use for but to prevent it, getting into cattle they should be vaccinated every one or two years.

Mr. H. A. Craig, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for the province of Alberta, spoke on the Girls' and Boys' Club Work in Alberta. The boys and girls, states Mr. Craig, are organizing clubs all over the country. The government has now five agents appointed who look after the work in nine districts both organizing and keeping the clubs going. That is what is needed more and more every day to get the boys and girls interested in the farm work and also to have something to keep the young people on the farm. In the districts where it is tried there is great success. The government supplies seeds and eggs to pupils over 10 years of age; to encourage them to make gardens and raise poultry. The government is doing its best to forward this work and it needs the support of the older people to help it along. The question is often asked, "Why does the government not send out more men?" The reason is it is hard to get the right kind of men to take the hold; for some places the children have their own farms along with the other farms and some are even for the few garden vegetables and some might be to do along this line of work.

Mr. H. B. Armstrong and family wish to express their many thanks for the kindness and sympathy shown them during the illness and death of their beloved husband and father. Also for the beautiful floral tokens and many letters of sympathy.

"The Family Under Industrialism in City and Country." He started out with the Homespun Age and brought us up to the present time. In the Homespun Age, take the making of the shoe for example. The father and son worked together in the same room and each one would make the finished product. The wool was taken off the sheep's back, cleaned and corded ready for spinning and then was made into garments at home. The family was kept at home, the sons usually followed the father's trade, the girls worked at home until they were married and left home. As the home is the making of a man or woman, then we turn to the present state of the way things are carried on. In the Homespun Age the boy stayed at home and helped his father, the girl stayed at home and helped her mother, and most everything that was needed was made or prepared in the home. Today the dresses are made in factories, all the clothing we wear are made in the factories, in the homespun age the furniture such as it was was made at home, the fireplace took the place of a stove, the rug was made in the home, but today everything is made in the factories. What is the result when everything that was made in the home is made away from home now? The result is the girl, instead of working at home, as in the homespun age, is working in the factory now, the same with the boy; he is taken away from home. So is the father. In cities the father goes away to work early in the morning and gets home late. The children are either working or at school. The school is another thing and perhaps the most important one we have to deal with. So we have the changing of everything from the home to the factories and the family isn't together as much now as they use to be. With the home as a foundation by which the lives of men and women are moulded, so by having them away all day and only at home a little while in the evening we have to have schools, factories and every place of work as safe as the home. Then comes the cry by some men that the mother should not have a vote in the government, her place is at home, but who looks after her children now the mother doesn't have much of her say over the child for when he is a certain age he is compelled by law to go to school. So the only way that mother can help bring up her children now in the way she wanted them to live is to have a vote on the problems of today and by so doing she can make the community as safe as the home was in the past.

Dr. H. Jamieson spoke on "The Health of Alberta." Dr. Jamieson had charts of all the diseases of the present day and the number of deaths caused each year by accidents and the number caused by disease. Dr. Jamieson also gave figures of infants who die every year. These figures were interesting and the suggestions he made for the prevention of disease by sanitary living were helpful.

Irma Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 11 a.m.
Preaching service at 7.30 p.m.
Special services for Labor Sunday at the Orbindale school there will be a service at 11 a.m. and at J. H. Elliotts place a service will be held at 3 p.m.
Ellie's Sunday school every Sunday at 2 p.m.
C. G. Hockin, Pastor.

Card of Thanks.

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Shooting Season Opens Sept. 1st.

Birds Reported to be Fairly
Plentiful in District—
Close Season for Chicken.

The shooting season for wild geese and ducks opens on September 1st and while the official date for the close is set at December 15th, the season will really end with the coming of the ice upon the lakes. The legal limit states that not more than 30 ducks shall be killed in any one day by any one person nor more than 200 ducks shall be killed in one season by any one person.

No partridge, pheasant, ptarmigan or chicken shall be killed in the province of Alberta before October 1st, 1918. There is no open season for these birds this fall.

The only shore birds that may be killed are the Black Bellied Plover, the American Golden Plover, Wilson's Snipe, the Greater Yellow legs and Yellow Legs, the open season for which is from September 1st to December 15th. All other shore birds are protected. Swans and cranes are protected for ten years under the international treaty with the United States.

Game guardians and travellers report that ducks and geese are fairly plentiful. The international treaty abolished the spring shooting of ducks and geese and this has tended towards a marked increase in the mating and raising of large numbers of young ducks in the lakes and sloughs of the northern part of the province for the birds were not disturbed in the spring.

The season for mountain sheep and goats is open from September 1st to October 14th inclusive. The season for hunting deer, moose and caribou is open from November 1st to December 14th inclusive.

Licenses must be secured the same as was the case last year. The fees are \$2.25 for a resident's bird game license; \$2.50 for resident's big game license; \$1.00 for a resident farmer's big game license; \$5.00 for non-resident's bird game license, and \$25.00 for non-resident's general game license. The limits on the number of big game allowed to any one person is the same as last year.

Liquor Regulations.

Alberta Provincial Police Headquarters has just received instructions from the Attorney General regarding the enforcement of section 23 of the Alberta Liquor Act which refers to sale of intoxicants by druggists.

A copy of these instructions has been received by Constable Shelton of the force here, and complying with the orders of the headquarters, it is herewith given to the local public.

"Circulars will shortly be issued to druggists, advising them of what may be sold under Section 23 of the liquor act. In the meantime, please instruct your inspectors to have your officers notify all other than druggists that they are not allowed to have in their possession or sell any combination of alcohol with any other liquid containing more than 24 of proof spirits. This particularly refers to patent medicines, tonic wines and essences.

"There might be allowed a reasonable time within which to ship out of the Province any stock on hand, but any sale after they have been warned should be followed by prosecution.

"It should be noted that the sale of Hoffman's Drops, whether by druggists or others, will not be allowed except under a doctor's prescription.

NEWS OF IRMA AND DISTRICT IN CONDENSED FORM

Tell Your News to the Editor and
He in Turn Will Tell Hundreds
Through This Paper.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Barber, a son.

Mr. R. Smallwood went east last Sunday to see his mother who is ill.

John Burr and family left today for Little Falls, Minn.

J. W. Stuart has sold his residence in Irma to Mrs. Flewelling.

Fred Johnson was in Edmonton a few days this week on business.

David Craig is building five granaries, the Alberta Lumber Company is furnishing the material.

Miss Clara King who has been visiting her brother at the farm has returned to Edmonton.

The Alberta Lumber Company have just completed an 80 foot lumber shed which adds greatly to the appearance of their lumber yard.

J. W. Wyatt has bought a house from Tops Wood and moved it off the farm to a site in the village.

R. Meakins, Jarow, is building a new residence, the Alberta Lumber Company is furnishing the lumber.

R. Rees is leaving his position at the G.T.P. station in a few weeks to buy grain for the Security elevator company at Cochrane.

J. S. Slade is erecting a cottage on the farm, the material is being supplied by the Alberta Lumber Company.

Dr. A. M. Perkins, dentist, will make a professional visit to Irma on Sept. 17th and 18th. Headquarters Edmond's Hotel.

Bert Armitage, of Holden, Mr. Somersall, of Viking, Jos. Welsh of Wainwright and Fred S. Johnston, all lumber yard managers, motored to the Buffalo Park in Wainwright last Sunday and inspected the herd.

Bruce Johnston has a new Auto Wheel Coach, one dog power. The way the dog travels with it is an envy to the Ford owners. The dog was imported from Alaska and his carburetor is guaranteed not to freeze.

On Tuesday night a party left Irma in two autos for the minstrel show at Hardisty. The party consisted of Miss Tilapough, Mr. and Mrs. McElrath, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Watkinson, Messrs. H. W. Love, H. W. Madden, B. Stuart and D. Doherty. It was a fine night and the run there and back was much enjoyed. The show itself was not above the usual standard of such entertainments.

A number of young folk called on Charlie Wiberham at the Point Farm last Sunday afternoon to do him birthday honors. A pleasant afternoon was spent. After supper music and singing filled in the time. Among the visitors were Mr. and Miss Stuchard, Mr. Holmes, Miss Simmons, Mr. Carter, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Sellars and Mr. McNight.

A very enjoyable trip was made by auto to Buffalo Park last Sunday consisting of three cars containing Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hardy, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark, Miss Clark, Mrs. Green, Mr. H. W. Love, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. King, Misses R. Green and Clara King. Through the courtesy of Mr. Davidson who accompanied the party through the park a good view of the buffaloes was obtained, also about sixty elk, some moose and deer, a large herd of cattle (cross between buffalo and cattle) was also seen. Mr. Davidson giving an interesting account of how the different crosses were obtained.

Wanted.—Smart boy to work in store. Apply to H. W. Love. 30u

Wanted.—Tenders for wintering from ten to twenty head of cattle. Apply by letter to cattle e Irma Times. 30-33.

MA
MARJORY

L. G. MOBERLY

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(Continued.)

How could she—oh! how could she—put away her dreams for ever and give herself to Dan. That was her first impetuous thought. Her first instinct was to refuse Dan's request, freely and decidedly, veto once and for all this sudden wish of his which seemed to her like some kind of dreadful madness. But the first thought merged into a second. In a lightning flash the remembrance of Dan's goodness to her swept into her mind. He had been so good to her, so unhesitatingly, so unthinkingly. He had taken her into his own lodgings—a wall out of the streets; during all the years of his childhood he had housed her, fed her, clothed her, he had seen to it that she was educated as she should be; though she had no shadow of claim upon him, he had sheltered her against the buffet of the world, and now he was asking from her something in return. What right had she to refuse him? He had asked when he had done so much for her. She cared for him very much as her friend, her rescuer, her guardian, so that second thought of hers was, and if, by giving herself to him, by helping him fight the devil, she could repay any of the mountain of debt she owed him, surely it was not too much to give and to do? She was so fond of him that she ought not to find it difficult to promise him all that he wished; and as for the prince of her dreams, he must be buried away in a flower-strewn grave never to look out of it again.

In a few seconds of time these thoughts went through her mind; it was not her nature to waver or doubt about her decisions, perhaps they were once made she acted upon them promptly, and she adhered to them. Only a few moments after Dan had asked his question, she looked quietly into his face.

"I will marry you some day," she said. "If you really want your ward to be your wife, I will promise to marry you some day, when you have conquered the devil that is hurting you. I know you can conquer them; and I know you are going to fight them."

CHAPTER III.
What Shall I Do?

"You know, my dear, you cannot very well stay here now that Dr. Aldrett has asked you to marry him."

"I wanted to ask you about it; I wanted to ask your advice. I felt that perhaps I ought to go away."

Meg spoke hesitatingly; she looked with a question in her brown eyes into the face of Miss Penny. Mrs. Crump's second-floor lodger. Miss Penny's sitting room was merely an ordinary square room, the typical lodging-house "apartment," but she had contrived to put into it something of her own kindly, peaceful personality. Rooms have an odd way of reflecting their occupants, and this room of Miss Penny's exactly represented the somewhat old-fashioned, refined gentlewoman who had lived in it for many years. The pictures on the walls had originally hung on the walls of the country rectory where Millicent Penny's girlhood had been spent; some of them were photographs of Oxford dons of her father's generation; some were really good prints; and there were one or two water color sketches of the country round her old home. Amongst Mrs. Crump's queer commonplace furniture were a few "bits of things," as Mrs. Crump called them, which belonged to Miss Penny, things which had adorned the drawing room in that far away rectory—a little old work table, a fire screen, one or two comfortable chairs, a pot of pot pourri and a small and really beautiful chest of drawers in inlaid work of the best French period, incongruous "bits of things" perhaps—but they helped to give the room the charm and restfulness which clung about it, just as they clung about Miss Penny herself.

She was a kindly little old maid, she went out as a daily governess, and she and Meg had been fast friends almost from the first day of the girl's arrival in Tweekesbury Square. Even as a little girl she had helped Mrs. Crump to wait upon her lodgers, and perhaps recognizing instinctively that Miss Penny could help her where the landlady could not, she had grown accustomed to ask Miss Penny for such advice as Mrs. Crump was not qualified to give. From Miss Penny she had borrowed those delicious fairy stories and romances which had transported her into worlds far removed from the sordid surroundings of South London. From Miss Penny she had imbibed many lessons of refinement and gentleness; and the little spinster had taught her much which she would not have learnt at the little school in a neighboring street where she had received the first elements of education.

There was something gentle and old-fashioned about the little old maid on the second floor which harmonized with Meg's own kindly

refined and gentle nature, and during the ten years Meg had spent under the same roof, the two had become very real friends. Directly she left Dan's sitting room on the momentous afternoon to pour out the story to Miss Penny; who wisely refrained from adverse comments, although considerably horrified by what the girl told her. With the wisdom of the serpent mingled with Miss Penny's love-like qualities, she only commended Meg for having refused to be married at once, and then gently pointed out to her that she could not, under the present circumstances, remain in the lodging house.

"For every reason it will be better for you to go away," she said. "Do not try to appreciate you far more than he does not see you every day, and for your own sake it would be advisable that you should see something of the world, before settling down. The question is what had you better do? We must put our heads together, and try to decide what we can do for you."

"I have learnt quite a good deal of dressmaking from Mrs. Crump's thoughtfulness," Meg said. "My sister has taught me hair-dressing, too, and sometimes I have earned a little money by helping Miss Denny with old jobs. I couldn't work for her regularly whilst I have been at school, but I have learnt a good deal from her. And you thought I could undertake the work, I thought of trying. I could myself taught a little more."

"What did you think you could do?" Miss Penny asked, looking with a smile at the brown-eyed girl who had grown very close to her.

"I thought I might get a place as a young ladies' maid," was the reply. "I couldn't teach, I have no certificates. I have not learnt enough. And I couldn't be a secretary or typist—Miss Penny told me Mrs. Crump's sister told me I wasn't enough dress-making and hair-dressing to be able to wait upon young ladies. I have learnt to do regular work, and I don't want me to go, and I was able to be useful to Mrs. Crump here. But now I must go. And I think I could take a place as a young ladies' maid. Don't you think I could?"

"No, my dear, whatever you are, you are not that," Miss Penny answered, with an emphatic shake of her head. "I have not the ready-to-hand you have not good blood in your veins. You were born a gentlewoman, your people must have been gentlefolk—there cannot be the least doubt about that. And I don't like to think of your taking a lady's maid place and perhaps being humiliated and badly treated by some horrid mistress."

(To Be Continued.)

To Conserve Grain

Rationing Horses in England to Avoid Shortage of Oats

Illustrative of the radical steps now being taken to conserve grain in England is an official explanation of the order rationing horses. The horses of King George are now being rationed under the terms of the order.

The object of rationing is officially explained as a means to increase the quantity of oats available for human consumption by restricting their use as a feed for horses.

By the terms of the order, the feeding of grain to horses kept for private purposes, is prohibited, and its use is confined to horses used exclusively for trade and business purposes.

Under existing circumstances no person is justified in keeping any horse that is beyond serviceable age. It is pointed out that even in the case of trade horses the feeding of any kind of grain is not a necessity where the work done is slow and not of an arduous character.

Heavy penalties are provided for violation of the act.

Tenure of Office

The Vicar (presenting rose-bow) to Farmer Hodson, the honorable secretary of the local agricultural society—"And we—er—present this—er—award as an appreciation of your—ah—tenure of office."

Farmer Hodson (indignantly)—"Fifteen year, parson, not ten—er—today."

"You say you want a job in this office? Well, what can you do?"

"Nothing."

"Why didn't you apply sooner? All those high-salaried positions have been taken long ago."—Judge.

W. N. U. 1174

Farmers Buying

Automobiles

Prosperity of Western Canada Evidenced by Number of Motor Cars

During the first half of this year 16,000 automobile licenses have been issued in Alberta. This is twice as many as during the whole year of 1916, and is evidence of the prosperity of the Alberta farmer. The same West, and in its monthly bulletin, June, the Canadian Bank of Commerce makes special reference to this phase and to the general prosperity of the West in the following: "Generally speaking the Western farmer is, in many respects, in a much better position than he was a year ago. His production, two years ago, was at a low ebb, and the prices of his products have since risen to a level which will enable him to liquidate a substantial proportion of his liabilities and at the same time to lay improved farm machinery. His prosperity is reflected in the demand for building materials, motors, and other equipment. It is no doubt true that the astonishing demand for motor cars, but it must be remembered that many of these cars will make for efficiency on the farm and economize both time and labor."

"In Saskatchewan 21,000 licenses for motor cars were issued up to the beginning of May, and it is estimated by the department that the total would reach 30,000 before the end of the summer. In 1916 the number issued amounted to 13,000, and in 1915 to 9,000. This extraordinary increase has been accompanied by considerable activity in the business centres of the province. Two years ago empty dwellings were numerous in every city from the head of the lakes to the Pacific coast. Rents were so low that in some cases high priced property did not bring in sufficient revenue to pay taxes. Today houses are in general demand, rents are becoming normal and population change reflects anxiety with regard to the financial position of some municipalities and evidences general prosperity in the surrounding rural communities."

"Happily there does not appear to be any desire on the part of the business public to mortgage real estate, as was the case in 1916. The fact that, as far as possible, all 1917 hatched cockerels not required for stock purposes in 1918 should be killed.

number of promising immigrants on the look out for homesteads has also increased. Railways and land companies report more sales during the past two months than have taken place in the same length of time for many years. Altogether the outlook is promising and the high prices for farm products, on which the present prosperity depends, are likely to continue for some time after the war."

Women's True Mission

Sir J. Crichton Browne on Child-Rearing

"Employment of women away from home," says Sir J. Crichton Browne, "is conducive to infant mortality and to debility of the surviving offspring in later life."

"The best ordered crèche is a wretched substitute for the maternal home," he told the annual meeting of the Hospital Saturday Fund at the Mansion House.

He said that when the war was over a number of women would be doing men's work; but he hoped that a large majority of the married women, at any rate, would be content to revert to pre-war conditions, and find their true mission in suckling babies and in regulating and adorning their homes.

Human milk was priceless, but economic value if we regarded it as food for infants. The mothers of the war could not be expected to do so. In the year before the war 881,890 infants were born in England and Wales. The mothers of those infants should have yielded, on an average, two pints of milk a day for a lactation period of nine months, which would amount to 220,945 gallons a day, worth, at 1s. 6d. a gallon, £670 pounds a day, or 6,037,950 pounds a year.

To Eliminate Unprofitable Poultry

The poultry advisory committee of the British board of agriculture, as a means of preventing unprofitable use of food in the United Kingdom, has recommended that all old stock cocks should be killed at once; that, with the exception of certain hens selected for breeding stock, all hens hatched in 1915, or earlier, that go broody and show signs of moulting should be cleared, as well as any 1916 fowls that indicate by their appearance that they will not be profitable; that, as soon as possible, all 1917 hatched cockerels not required for stock purposes in 1918 should be killed.

Good Advertising Plan

Government and C.P.R. Co-operate to Get Settlers

Through its numerous ticket agents in every part of the United States and the many other offices who handle its business, the Canadian Pacific Railway alone sold last year over 19,000 tickets to farmers who settled down in Canada and this has suggested to the Saskatchewan department of agriculture an easy means of advertising the great advantages of this province from an agricultural point of view.

A pamphlet is now being prepared by the department and will be enclosed in the envelopes in which the railway companies place their tickets when they deliver them to the travellers. The pamphlet will be in the shape of a small booklet, about five inches in length and about four wide, containing as briefly as possible a description of the western parts of the country and in particular Saskatchewan and showing the advantages that this province offers for settlers and farmers.

It is pointed out that even if the person to whom the ticket is sold does not make use of the information contained in the booklet he will find it in the envelope he may hand it to. It is in any case sure to be left some of his friends or relatives who through reading it may be induced to settle in this province. The booklet is the cheapest means of advertising the farming possibilities of the province of Saskatchewan.

The pamphlet or booklet is being prepared by the deputy minister of agriculture, F. H. Auld, and its preparation requires a great deal of careful editing as it must contain the largest amount possible of solid information which will make attractive reading in the smallest possible space.—Saskatoon Star.

Bank Clerks Barefooted

Berlin bank clerks have set an example in pigsticker self sacrifice. To aid the movement in economy in leather, the clerks discarded their shoes. Scores of barefooted individuals were seen on the principal streets gingerly stepping along, saving their tender feet as much as possible.

Berlin's shoe stores are now selling wooden sandals, the only leather being in toe guards.

Send Interned Huns Home

6,000 Germans Will Be Traded for 700 British

About 700 British subjects will be exchanged for more than 6,000 Germans, according to authoritative information given to a Daily Mail representative in reference to the final agreement as to the exchange of interned civilians over forty-five years old.

The British civilians will come mostly from Ruhleben, the Germans from Knockaloe, Alexandra Palace, and other large internment camps. The exchange is to begin at once, but practical questions of ship facilities will cause unavoidable delays. The civilians (both British and German) will be sent home in batches, according to transport arrangements, and the expense will be borne by each government, "debts" and "credits" to be made when peace is declared.

No man will be repatriated from either country against his wish. If he does not wish to return to his own country (as will, it is believed, be the case with many Germans now in custody in England), he will remain in internment. In addition to the 6,000 Germans whom we are to release, there will probably be a few Dominions, notably Canada. The exchange arrangement applies to them as well.

"People should not draw rash conclusions," an official said, "from the great discrepancy between the number of Germans we are to release in exchange for our own men." The proportion corresponds fairly accurately to the much larger number of German civilians of all ages in our hands than Britons interned in Germany. We shall, of course, have a correspondingly larger number left on our hands. Besides the purely humanitarian aspect of the release of men just emerging from middle life, there is the doubly practical advantage of us having to feed 6,000 fewer Germans and imposing on the enemy at a moment least desirable to him, the burden of nourishing that extra number."

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War Clarifies

War is clarifying ideas and the moral sincerities. The reactions are generally recognized. What is quite important, it is disposing of good and all a lot of useless mental baggage, a great store of hypocrisies and a multitude of presumptions which we knew or suspected were rubbish or worse, but which in the easy years of peace we did not bestir ourselves to do away with. A war brings to a right apprehension of these things, as moving brings to a right appraisal of household accumulations which we are too lazy or too sentimental to assort sanely under ordinary circumstances. Organized society after this war will be a more sincere affair, as well as a more effective machine for promoting human well-being, than it has been hitherto. Privileges will have to go. Excess profits will have to go. Individualism that disregards the rights and interests of fellow-men will have to go. Slacking, wasting and obstruction will have to go. Anarchism and a systematic protection of malefactors will have to go. The world will be neither nationalistic nor internationalistic only. It will be neither socialistic nor individualistic only. It will be a practical, relatively sincere, relatively intelligent world, pretty carefully scrutinizing every proposition and trying out plans on their merit. (The Independent.)

First Aid.

A knowledge of first-aid to the injured is of immense value to any citizen in everyday life. Accidents are constantly occurring on the Railroad, in the Factory, on the streets of our cities, and on the farm. No one is immune from them. Many lives are saved each year throughout the land by the prompt administration of first-aid. In war this knowledge of first-aid is of inestimable value, and in the present gigantic struggle in Europe, hundreds of our soldiers' lives are saved every week through its agency. An opportunity to become familiar with this most useful and necessary subject is offered to all men between the ages of nineteen and forty-eight, who are physically fit, by joining the Canadian Army Medical Corps, that branch of the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Forces which renders first-aid to our soldiers wounded on the Field. Men lying in "No Man's Land," badly wounded and totally incapacitated, are dependent on their comrades to render first-aid to them before death through loss of blood overtakes them. The work of looking after such men, and their possible removal to a place of safety, is carried out by the men of the C. A.M.C. usually under cover of darkness, often at great personal risk, and only with the greatest difficulty.

More men are required at once to carry on this splendid work, and men to whom the idea of war in any form is repulsive, can do their bit by joining the C.A.M.C. and helping to save the lives of those who have fought and bled so that future generations may live in peace and security.

A.M.C. Training Depot No. 15, Sarcee Camp, near Calgary, Alberta trains men for this particular work. The course includes squad and company drill, stretcher drill, lectures on first-aid with practical demonstration, lectures on anatomy, sanitation and all other matters pertaining to the health of the soldier on active service.

The men of Canada have come forward nobly in defence of the Empire, but the present is not the time to rest on our oars. Much still remains to be done before Germany is brought to her knees, and every man enlisting now is hastening that end.

Men of Alberta, enlist now! Show your friends that you are worthy citizens of a great Empire, ready to do something to preserve the liberty you have enjoyed in the past. For further information write Recruiting Headquarters, A.M.C. Training Depot No. 15, Sarcee Camp, Alberta. Conscription may soon be enforced, but we are still recruiting under the voluntary system at the present time.

THE DIMES OF SETH DUBOIS

(By Harry Fisher)

It was late in the fall of '16. The grey dawn was spreading itself over what was to be a cold, raw day. The winter atmosphere had already made its presence felt and the anxious hares grating upon the hillside sped their paths to the barnyard for comfortable nights of warmth. Away in the distance the early morning train to Russellville was rushing along at express speed. Occasionally the sudden stop at some "one-horse" station, to pick up a city-bound passenger, brought the sleeping travellers to life with unpleasant rapidity. Drowsily each in his turn, after commenting upon the one just boarding the train, some favorably because of recognition, others unfavorably because of lack of recognition and the unpleasantness of being aroused from a free slumber at the railroad's expense, turned over to continue his dream.

Russellville, a town of some 1500 inhabitants, was located on the banks of the St. Lawrence, approximately 175 miles from the city of Quebec. Ranking among the most ancient of the towns it had remained stationary in population for over fifty years. Old-timers coming back, who had in the early days been fortunate to make their pile and remove to fairer fields of speculation, saw no change and added their dictum that the old town would never again see the good old days. Of course there were certain old-timers who would never go—St. Lereux kept the general store still, with the same assortment of goods, candles and the latest brands of chewing tobacco; a few druggists crowded onto a dusty shelf in case of any sudden outbreak of disease or sickness, about which St. Lereux stood everything in the matter of "certain cures." It always seemed a humorous situation that the door of St. Lereux's, the undertaker held forth and it was remarked that St. Lereux never allowed Ben Drowie, the undertaker, to go without a visit to the addition of a few other establishments the business end of the town was complete. Strange to say, those who stayed with the town, had been able to build themselves fine homes and even built an extra house for rent to any newcomer to the town.

It was not with any intention of settling in Russellville that Seth Dubois stepped off the train as it came to a standstill. Seth was an old-timer, had been in the town for many years, and had been often heard to say that he had built granges, "laced" mules, laid steel and then driven trains over his own work. That was one of the things that Seth could be proud of, for no one knew more about it than he. Nothing pleased him better than to tell of the early days when he was in Michigan, of getting into a carousal with a bunch of fellows and eventually getting out unhurt with the reputation of being a "dark horse" who had just "blew in" to pick up a little easy money. So as Seth moved off the train it was with the idea of settling in the town. The next day he would be ready to move along and see what the next town looked like. Aimlessly he wandered down the main street and on he had no friends there, not even an old school acquaintance, so that his enjoyment in the place was going to be very largely of his own making. The river was not very far away, and Seth strolled off to see the scenery from the different angles. Life had always been a struggle for him, and seeing everything, and here was another contribution to "life." Certainly the St. Lawrence was well worth seeing, and this day he gazed upon it, flowing silently to the great Atlantic, something romantic was set before him in his soul. He told himself that if he was ever going to settle down he had better begin that day and adopt similar, settled-like habits some other people had done. A second thought only made him see the foolishness of the first. To settle down, with not a dime, never mind a cent, was the absurdity of such a prompting. Shaking himself free from his premonitions, he trudged along, first gazing at the landscape, then the water, and everything in order to provide himself with entertainment.

Upon lifting his eyes from the ground on one occasion a new world seemed to open to Seth. He blinked several times as he tried to read it to make sure it was true; and yet true it was. An offer—"This fine house, supposedly haunted, I will give with clear title to the person or persons who will guarantee to live in it." Signed, Henri Quagly, Russellville.

Seth read and re-read, the offer he read the more real became the conviction that that house was meant for him. He took down the name and address, and at once made his way to interview the owner. The interview was brief—the briefest of all, because Seth Dubois was not accustomed to conversations with men who wore a collar and tie, and in a short time he was going down the street with the keys of the house in his pocket. He liked to listen to those keys tinkling where they were his keys—the keys to his own house, "if he lived in it." On the way down the street he chuckled to himself that the other tenants must have been nervous wrecks, the idea of letting such an offer slip by impossible, and yet there were the keys which proved to him that the offer was genuine. As he walked down the river bank this time he felt a bigger man than ever before, and when he caught sight of "his" house he felt as though even the governor-general had "nothing on him." He was sad at heart to find that as he neared the house, and walking up the pathway to the door, that there was not a soul in sight to see him enter, but that, after all, was a small item to the conversation which would take place regarding the new owner of "Glenholme"—for he had already given the place a name.

Apart from that odor of emptiness and "faintness," Seth felt that, with a fire on one whole place would be cozy and comfortable. He went from ceiling to cellar without finding any trace of a ghost, but, secretly, was a source of gratification to himself. He barred the windows and all doors but one, thus assuring himself that any loiterer passing from the outside would not avail very much. He prepared himself a bed in one corner of the dining room, carried over the fire lamp to the head of his bed to be in readiness, and then prepared himself that night for a glorious sleep in the house he was now owner of. Every door was barred, even the door leading from the dining room to the hallway, so now what had he to fear? It was still with a very strong sense of fear that he laid down his head on the pillow, and, despite the fact that he was alone,

house. Even the quietness of the hour was to him an enemy. He heard the town clock strike eleven, and nothing had happened, and there he lay. Twelve o'clock and nothing happened, and as twelve-thirty struck Seth could no longer remain awake. He stretched himself out and prepared to sleep, but just as he would have dropped asleep out came a cold, clammy, bony hand and lay upon his chest. At first he thought his heart had stopped. He muttered courage, and opened his eyes, but to his surprise found nothing. He stepped to the window; it was locked. He tried the door, but the lock had never been touched. Was he mistaken, and had he dreamt this, or was it actual fact that he had been touched by an unseen hand? He backed away for the remainder of the night and made up his mind that next day he would hunt again for signs of anything "ghostlike." Seth was as he might be found not the slightest evidence of anything out of the ordinary, so resolved to try again that night to conquer the phantom appearance. He was very cautious. He remembered that it was at twelve-thirty the previous night in which he had been molested. Well, that night he would, and if any monster from the unseen world dared intrude he would shoot it dead. Strange that as he lay, and twelve-thirty came and went and nothing happened. One o'clock rang out from the old town clock and still nothing. He began to think that he had been duped by himself. Sleep came at last, and he welcomed it with outstretched arms. As the hand of the clock climbed to the hour of two, cold, clammy, bony hand suddenly lay on the bare chest of Seth Dubois. He awoke with a start, his hair standing on end, and the cold perspiration on his forehead, rolling from his forehead. Without switching on the light he gazed into the room, and there he saw in the shape of an arm, crouching in the corner of the room, a pale, like fume the phantom demon from the unseen world which had molested him. Quietly he slid his revolver from under his pillow, but even then, spellbound, he felt he could not shoot. Attached to this phantom being probably there was some kind of mind, for he felt the movement in his body. The arm with the index finger extended moved towards him, and then once again turned to the door, beckoning him to follow. More and more he became convinced that the mystery of this haunted house. Presently the arm moved and swooped in a diagonal direction to the door. Seth saw and felt motion in his body. The arm with the index finger extended moved towards him, and then once again turned to the door, beckoning him to follow. More and more he became convinced that the mystery of this haunted house. 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VIKING

Mrs. J. L. Dodds has received the appointment as assistant to J. L. Dodds at the station.

Mrs. J. L. Dodds and daughter Miss Mildred visited with friends in Holden last week.

Miss Luella Dodge is the new "hello" girl. Miss Catherine Stocum has returned to school.

Miss Irene Magrath is no longer assistant at the G.T.P. station and will leave for her home in Edmonton shortly.

Joe Stonehocker, of Lavo, will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hummel and attend the Viking school.

Harland Hilliker arrived home from Innisfail Saturday after spending the school holidays on his uncle's farm near that place.

W. Withers and family and John Stonehocker and family motored down from Lavo on Sunday and passed the day at the E. B. Hummel home.

Miss Grace Hicks came overland from Sedgewick last Sunday and began teaching the primary grades at the school Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Murray and son Melvin returned Sunday evening from an extended summer's vacation with relatives and friends at Moores Mills, N.B.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott arrived from Edmonton last Thursday noon and have been busy packing their household goods preparatory to moving to Edmonton.

School opened Monday with an enrollment of 84. This will be increased to over 100 before the week is over, thinks the principal, J. C. Chapman.

D. C. Gibbs, representing Clark Bros. of Winnipeg, was in town last Friday. Mr. Gibbs has "made" this town for several years and is one of the most popular travellers on the line.

Howard Britton, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Britton has been wounded, according to a telegram received on Monday last from Ottawa. The telegram does not state how seriously. Howard went overseas with the 202nd battalion but was afterwards drafted into another battalion and was sent to France sometime this spring.

Mr. Rolt. Hoover and Miss Verda Coffelt were united in marriage last Sunday afternoon at the Jas. Barnes home in Mance by the Rev. S. Hassal, pastor of the Viking United Christian church. Both parties are known in town, the groom having been in the employ of S.W. Jones and the bride at the King Edward hotel. The will reside in the Wavy Lake district. Good wishes are extended the newlyweds.

The sad news was telegraphed Monday from Ottawa to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stearns, of Birch Lake that their son Serg. Vern Stearns had been killed in action in a recent big engagement. He was a dutiful son, well liked by all, and paid the supreme sacrifice like a true soldier. In their hour of sorrow the parents may feel assured that genuine expressions and feelings of sympathy go out to them from the whole district.

Many complaints are heard about the cows running loose at night and destroying gardens and vegetables in town. We fear that something more than cuss words will be directed towards these bovine visitors unless steps are taken to keep them at home or locked up in the pound. The council should pass a herd by-law and have it enforced.

Ernie Swift, a former Viking district farmer, but now of Clover Bar, solved the scarcity of farm labor problem last week when it came to taking up his winter's supply of hay. He "bitched" a ten foot hay rake onto his Ford Car and raked a 25-acre field in one and one-half hours. It was not a self-dumper rake either so you can imagine how busy the man on the rake was kept pulling the lever. We are informed that under ordinary circumstances it would require a whole day for a man and team to do the same amount of work. We are passing this along to others in the same fix.

Scovel Lake

Miss Lillian McLean from Bowmanville, Ontario, is visiting her brother J. C. McLean.

Miss Lillapangh, Bert Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Toll spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Omar Eaton.

A. W. Toll made a business trip to the Capital the first of the week.

W. Ronwick has completed his new barn size 40 x 70 feet. This is a great improvement to his ranch.

Scovel Lake telephone line is now built to a point within two miles of town. Scarcity of wire is the cause of delay in connecting up. It is expected that this difficulty will be overcome during the present week.

Bert Stewart takes periodical fits at haymaking.

FABYAN

The number of cream shippers from Fabyan is increasing.

The elevator will soon be re-opened and busy again. Things are getting in shape for it.

Cutting of wheat is general around here, and prospects of a good yield are surprisingly good. Some oats are already cut.

Albert Betty will soon be out threshing with his gasoline outfit. He has a couple of thousand acres to do for himself and neighbors.

There are always slurs being vaguely thrown out about the wickedness of the soldiers. We have seen the shadow of disgrace thrown on a good many homes in the last few years, but never has a soldier's name been connected therewith.

Well, election will soon be on, and people can take their stand, whether to stay by the slackers and traitors or by the poor fellows "whose bones are bleaching on the field of Flanders." One red hot fellow was heard to say the other day that he was going to go over the voter's list in his district, and with a self-appointed scrutineer and see that undesirable parties did not get a chance to vote traitor. "Vive la Conscription."

It is too bad there is no telephone from Fabyan. It seems impossible to secure one. The elevator man, the storekeeper, and the community in general find it a great inconvenience. Valuable time is wasted every day, and money spent unnecessarily for the lack of this modern necessity. We hope that some one will pull the necessary strings in some mysterious way and secure one for us.

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And when I moved to a flat up town,
Who was it that I did throw down?
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Who was it proved the easiest mark
Of all my friends since Noah's Ark?
My Grocer.

"Hark!" observed the romantic young woman spending her holidays on the farm. "Just hear how those old trees in the orchard moan and groan in the storm, like the crying of a lost soul!"

"Well," replied her practical and unromantic companion, "I guess you'd moan and groan, too, if you were as full of green apples as those trees are."

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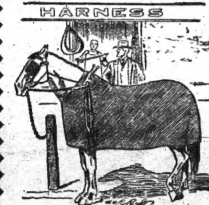
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FOR SALE—Fresh milch cow and calf. John Sawdon, sec 10-47-8, Orbindale, Alta. 30-31

For Sale—In Irma, five room house and sheds, on Main street. Apply Wm Eaton or F.W. Watkinson, Irma.

Lost—Four spring calves, one white, red spots, two red and white, one crippled, hind foot, ear frozen off, last seen at Mrs. Berreths. Information will be thankfully received by Mrs. D.S. West, Irma.

LOST—From S.W. 20-46-9, small red and white yearling, horns cut off, Brand 37. Information thankfully received by Jas. Kennedy. 25

For Sale—Sharples Separator in good working order, price \$25. Apply J.N. Carrington. 23-24

Lost—From N.E.-20-45-S.W.-4th, a three year old bay gelding, white star on forehead and right hind ankle. Any information thankfully received. A. Smart, Irma, Alberta.

Strayed—From 14-46-11, about July 15th, a sorrel Gelding, weight about 1300 lbs., white face, some white feet, roached mane. Any one knowing the whereabouts of said horse please inform F. J. Hanson and receive reward. Jarow, Alberta.

Strayed—from S.W. 16-47-7, bay mare with white stripe on face, both hind legs partly white, no brand, 3 yrs old. Information thankfully received by Robt. Reid, Cummings P. O.

STRAYED—On the farm of J. Kasten, SE 13-45-9, one bay gelding, 7 years old wt about 1200, black parts, spot on forehead. Brands BERRH.

For Sale—A good quarter section two miles from Irma, 75 acres broken. Always plenty of water both inside and outside of the house. House 20x20, barn 16x20 with stable underneath, granary 12x16, hen house 12x15, implement house 12x24. Apply to Wm. Eaton or F.W. Watkinson, Irma.

FOR SALE—cheap on easy terms, no cash payment, second-hand threshing outfit, 45 hp Case steam engine with tender and water tank; 38-46 Separator complete with Blower, weigher, and self-feeder. See J.W. Wyatt, Jarow, Alta. 2tu.

LOST—A tan leather pocketbook, on Wednesday, August 22nd, in Irma or between Irma and Ross school. Initials M. E. O'L. carved on the leather, contained some change and P. O. key. Finder kindly return to Mrs. C. P. Chevalier Bx 925, treasured as a keepsake. 1tp.

KINSELLA

Mrs. J. Scott, well known in Presbyterian church circles in Edmonton, spent a pleasant holiday in the city, where she lived so long.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKee and family left on Thursday evening's train for Edmonton. Mr. McKee will spend his two weeks' vacation at their home on the Stony Plain Road.

Be sure to attend the Box Social and dance in Echo school on Friday evening, August 31st. The proceeds will go to swell the Red Cross funds. A good time is assured.

R. Cornack, living two miles north of here, was the first to start in, his wheat having been now one week in the stock. The yield promises to be extra good for this year, possibly thirty bushels to the acre. A good deal of wheat in the same district put in the same time on breaking also will not go over half that amount. This would seem to be a vindication of the wisdom of the policy of each day rolling or discing the land that day, as Mr. Cornack has followed that plan for years and always gets a big crop.

There has been no frost to hurt grain in this district and only in a few low places have potato tops been touched. The rains this year have been very irregular, going in long narrow streaks so that oftentimes one mile completely changes crop conditions. Straw everywhere is short, but both south and north of the railway the grain is going to make a good crop and the grade is going to be extra good. Naturally, the oats situation is not as favorable as the wheat prospects. A large acreage of wheat was put in this spring, but practically no flax.

The Ladies Aid.

Will meet on Wednesday Sept. 2 in the Irma Church. It is desired to send a box to each of the local boys at the front. Boxes to contain 1 pair stockings, 2 handkerchiefs and cleaving gum. Ladies willing to contribute please bring boxes to the meeting or send them to Mrs. Hockin.

U.F.W.A.

The next meeting will be held in the Irma school house on Saturday, Sept. 1st at 2.30 P.M. All ladies cordially invited.

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TO THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER HAD ANY DEALINGS WITH US, WE ASK FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOU AND WE KNOW YOU WILL BE SATISFIED

Alberta Lumber Company, Ltd.
FRED S. JOHNSTON,
Manager.
IRMA, ALTA.

BIG REDUCTIONS

On Suits to make room for new stock

All the Goods mentioned here were bought at old prices and were exceptional good values before being reduced

As our new stock of suits have arrived, we find it necessary to make room for them. And to do so we must sacrifice our old stock. Clothing is one thing that every one knows has advanced as there is a great shortage of wool and cotton the world over and labor is high also. When reducing these suits we are not paying any attention to the prices of today but are putting on a price that will rush out the goods. Our loss but your Gain, we must have room. Below are some values that speak for themselves.

MEN'S SUITS

Men's Brown Suits,	Size 39	Regular \$11.50	Now \$9.50
" " "	" "	" 15.00	Now 12.50
" Black (ground white stripe)	Size 39	Regular \$11.50	Now 9.50
" Brown Suit,	Size 40	Regular \$10.00	Now 8.35
" Blue Serge,	" 36	" 13.50	Now 11.75
" Brown Suit,	" 38	" 15.00	Now 12.50
" Blue Serge,	" 42	" 20.00	Now 17.50
" Brown Suit	" 37	" 13.00	Now 11.50
" " "	" 38	" 17.50	Now 15.25
" Grey "	" "	" 15.00	Now 12.50



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An exquisite "newness" for all woollens

Somehow, with ordinary washing, one always thinks of woollen garments coming out of the wash a little worse off than when they went in.

Far otherwise when you let LUX wash them. They come out of the wash with a soft, fleecy "new" feeling, as well as being absolutely clean—quite unshrunk, and quite unthickened.

How is it done? Allow 3 tablespoonfuls of LUX for each gallon of water, which should be near the boiling point. Put the woollens in and stir them about with a stick. Then let them soak until the solution is cool enough for you to squeeze the woollens with the hands—when the dirt will run out. Then rinse in 2 or 3 relays of tepid water and hang to dry.

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